

# PENNSYLVANIA HIGHER EDUCATION ASSISTANCE AGENCY (PHEAA)

www.pheaa.org • The PHEAA Board determines the award formula for Pennsylvania State Grants.

## GRANT/LOAN PROGRAMS

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**Program** – Federal program that provides funds to offer merit scholarships to high school seniors.

May 1

Must be in the top 5 percent of high school class, have a 3.5 GPA or higher, and have a combined SAT score of 1150 or an ACT score of 25 or above.

Contact – PHEAA at (800) 692-7392 or (717) 720-2800

**PHEAA Academic Excellence Scholarship Award** – available to Pennsylvania State Grant recipients who meet the eligibility requirements of the federal Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship Program, but do not receive funding through the Byrd program.

Application for Byrd program must be received by May 1.

Must attend a Pennsylvania institution. Qualified Byrd applicants will automatically be considered. No additional application process required.

**Private Scholarships** – Funds provided by civic clubs, professional organizations, labor unions and private businesses.

Review the financial aid section of the college catalog for more information. Check out <http://www.EducationPlanner.org>.

**POW-MIA Program** – Provides special state grants to children of a member of the U.S. Armed Forces who served on active duty after January 31, 1955 and who has been a prisoner of war or reported missing in action and was a Pennsylvania resident for 12 months prior to active duty service.

Contact – PHEAA State Grant & Special Programs Division at (800) 692-7392

**Educational Assistance Program for Pa. National Guard** – Provides tuition assistance for students who enter into a service commitment with Pa. National Guard, typically for a period of six years. The maximum award for a full-time student is equivalent to the institution tuition or the PASSHE tuition (100 percent) charged to a Pennsylvania resident, whichever is less.

Contact – (800) GO GUARD or visit <http://www.paguard.com>.

## LOAN FORGIVENESS PROGRAMS

**Nursing Loan Forgiveness for Healthier Futures** – An incentive for new graduates to enter the field of nursing in direct patient care or as a nurse educator. Forgives up to 25 percent of student loan debt (to a maximum of \$12,500) over three years of qualifying employment at a participating, licensed Pennsylvania facility.

Deadline is December 31, 2007 for all applicants who graduate in 2007.

Contact – PHEAA at (800) 233-0557 or visit [www.pheaa.org](http://www.pheaa.org)

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**Loan Forgiveness Program for State Veterans Home Nurses** – An incentive for nurses graduating in 2007 to accept employment in a Pennsylvania state veterans home. Forgives up to 50%, to a maximum of \$10,000, of student loan debt over three years of employment.

Deadline is December 31, 2007.

Contact – PHEAA at (800) 233-0557 or visit [www.pheaa.org](http://www.pheaa.org).

**Armed Forces Loan Forgiveness** – up to \$2,500 in a one-time payment for eligible federal loan borrowers who served in the Armed Forces in an active duty status between September 11, 2001 and December 31, 2007.

Deadline is June 30, 2008.

Contact – PHEAA at (800) 233-0557 or visit [www.pheaa.org](http://www.pheaa.org).

**Quality Early Education Loan Forgiveness** – for qualified professionals who make a maximum gross annual income of no more than \$30,000 from full-time employment in an approved Pa. child-care center, family day care home, Head Start program facility or group day care home. Forgives up to \$3,300 per year for three years.

Contact – PHEAA at (800) 233-0557 or visit [www.pheaa.org](http://www.pheaa.org).

Must be a Pennsylvania resident and have a current, outstanding balance on a federally insured Stafford loan that is guaranteed and serviced by AES/PHEAA

**Agricultural Education Loan Forgiveness** – State program helps agriculture and veterinary medicine graduates repay their student loans (up to \$2,000 per year for each year of qualifying employment – \$10,000 lifetime maximum limit). Eligibility now includes borrowers in their first year of full-time employment teaching an agriculture curriculum.

November 15, 2007

Applicants must hold a degree in a field related to the production of agricultural products or veterinary medicine; or a current teacher certification in agriculture from a Pa. institution.

Contact – PHEAA, Agriculture Education Loan Forgiveness Program at (800) 233-0557.

**Federal Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program** – Provides up to \$5,000 in loan forgiveness for eligible full-time elementary and secondary school teachers (up to \$17,500 for highly qualified mathematics, science and special education teachers of children with disabilities).

CONTACT – PHEAA at (800) 692-7392

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### NEW ECONOMY TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIPS (NETS)

Students must complete a FAFSA each year in order to be considered for NETS aid.

**SciTech Scholarship Program** – Provides up to \$3,000 (tuition and mandatory fees, room and board and a \$700 allowance for books) per year for a maximum of three years to students who are enrolled full time in certain majors to educate and retain a workforce of highly trained technology experts

December 31 of current academic year  
Must be enrolled full time as at least a sophomore, and have a 3.0 cumulative grade point average or higher at the time of application. Must maintain 3.0 grade point average and must agree to work full-time in Pennsylvania after graduation, one year for each year a scholarship is received.  
Contact – PHEAA State Grant & Special Programs Division at (800) 692-7392.

**Technology Scholarship Program** – Provides up to \$1,000 (tuition and mandatory fees, room and board and a \$700 allowance for books) per year to persons who do not seek a four-year education but want to succeed in a technology-based economy. The Technology Scholarship is available to full and part-time students.

December 31  
Must maintain at least a 3.0 cumulative grade point average. Must agree to work full-time in Pennsylvania after graduation, one year for each year a scholarship is received.  
Contact – PHEAA State Grant & Special Programs Division at (800) 692-7392.

### KEYSTONE FAMILY OF LOAN PROGRAMS

**Keystone Stafford Loans** – Funds available to help Pa. students and residents who have family incomes of less than \$21,000.

Contact – PHEAA at (800) 692-7392

**KeystoneBEST Loan Program** – Low-cost Stafford loan program. The estimated savings to borrowers (using a \$10,000 loan balance) over the life of the loan is \$2,300.

Contact – PHEAA at (800) 692-7392

**KeystonePLUS Loan Program** – Helps parents of dependent undergraduate students pay the difference between the actual cost of higher education and the amount covered by financial aid.

Contact – PHEAA at (800) 692-7392

There is no family income limit.

**KeystoneEXTRA Loan Program** – Provides a private supplemental loan to give students the opportunity to borrow up to \$7,500 per year for undergraduates and \$15,000 per year for graduate students. Exhaust all Stafford Loan options first.

Contact – PHEAA at (800) 343-1809

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### FEDERAL PROGRAMS

**Federal Pell Grant** – Federal (non-repayable) grant funds available, depending upon financial need. Provides between \$400 and \$4,310 annually.

Must apply using a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Contact – PHEAA State Grant & Special Programs Division at (800) 692-7392.

**Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)** – Grants ranging from \$100 to \$4,050 annually for undergraduate students. Priority given to students who receive Federal Pell Grants.

Contact – PHEAA State Grant & Special Programs Division at (800) 692-7392.

**Federal Perkins Loan** – Loans of up to \$4,000 annually for undergraduate students at 5 percent interest rate with up to a 10-year repayment option. Graduate students may borrow up to \$6,000 annually.

NOTE: Perkins loans were not funded by the federal government for the 2006-07 academic year. Check with the financial aid officer of the college you attend to see if funds are available for 2007-08.

**Federal Stafford Loan** – Long-term, low-cost education loans to students from private lending institutions for their program of study.

Must apply using a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Contact – PHEAA Student Loan Department at (800) 692-7392.

**Federal PLUS Loan** – Long-term loans that provide funds to cover the difference between educational costs and other financial aid for dependent undergraduates.

Contact – PHEAA Student Loan Department at (800) 692-7392.

### FEDERAL PROGRAMS FOR PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

**VA Dependents Educational Assistance Program** – Provides funds to students who are the children of a parent who has a permanent disability or who died as a result of service in the U.S. Armed Forces.

CONTACT – local Veterans Administration Office.

**Vocational Rehabilitation Program** – Provides financial aid and support services to students with hearing, sight and other disabilities.

CONTACT – local Vocational Rehabilitation Office

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**Institutional Assistance Grants Program** – Payments are based on the number of full-time equivalent state grant recipients certified as enrolled at IAG-eligible institutions during the academic year. Eligible institutions must be independent, operated not for profit and approved for purposes of the Pennsylvania State Grant Program and must not be a state-owned college or university, a state-related university or a community college. For the last several years, the appropriation legislation has excluded any institution that is the recipient of a direct state appropriation.

**Gate Student Loan Program** – Private loan that offers low interest rates, no payments during enrollment and a 13-year graduated repayment schedule. Available to 78 schools nationwide, including Lycoming College, Williamsport.

Contact – AES West Coast at (800) 645-0750.

**PrepGate Private School Loan Program** – Provides assistance for virtually every type of private K-12 educational program. There is no charge to apply for the loan. Debt to income ratio not to exceed 50 percent.

Contact – PHEAA at (800) 343-1809.

A credit bureau report will be obtained for each applicant.

**PENNSYLVANIA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY**

http://www.phfa.org

**SINGLE FAMILY HOMEOWNERSHIP PROGRAMS****DEADLINE / REGULATIONS**

**Future Home Buyer Program** – Program designed to help teach high school students the importance of budgeting, the use of credit and the ramifications of abuse of credit and inform them of some of the everyday legal concerns they may soon face.

Contact – Yolanda Garcia at (717) 780-4033

**Keystone Home Loan Program** – Provides 30-year, fixed-rate home mortgage loans with lower-than-market interest rates to qualifying home buyers.

Contact – PHFA's Homeownership Programs Division at 1(800) 822-1174 or [www.phfa.org](http://www.phfa.org)

**Keystone Home Loan PLUS Program** – Offers PHFA's lowest rate financing, below-market origination fees and closing cost assistance for families with children or persons with disabilities having incomes at or below 80 percent of their county's median income for the county in which they plan to purchase their first home.

Contact – PHFA's Homeownership Programs Division at 1(800) 822-1174 or [www.phfa.org](http://www.phfa.org)

Applicants who meet additional eligibility requirements may be eligible for closing cost assistance of up to \$2,000. No fees are charged for these loans. Available with conventional, FHA, VA and RHS loans.

**Closing Cost Assistance Program** – Deferred payment non-interest bearing closing cost assistance loan of up to \$2,000. It's a no-interest second mortgage that does not require repayment until the first mortgage is paid in full or the home is sold, refinanced, transferred (except transfers by inheritance or between spouses), or is no longer occupied as the borrower's primary residence.

Contact – PHFA's Homeownership Programs Division at 1(800) 822-1174 or [www.phfa.org](http://www.phfa.org)

**HOMEstead Second Mortgage Program** – Provides non-interest bearing second mortgage loans for down payments and closing costs. Loans range from \$1,000 to \$15,000. No repayment is required until payoff of the first mortgage or sale, transfer or non-owner occupancy of the property. Not available in all areas of the Commonwealth.

First time home buying families with at least one child or persons with disabilities. Limited to borrowers with incomes as or below 80 percent of their county's median income.

Contact – PHFA's Homeownership Programs Division at 1(800) 822-1174 or [www.phfa.org](http://www.phfa.org)

**Access Home Modification Program** – Provides mortgage loans (from \$1,000 to \$10,000) to assist persons with disabilities or who have a family member(s) living in the household with disabilities who are purchasing homes and need to make accessibility modifications. This program provides a deferred payment loan, with no interest, and no repayment, as long as the buyer occupies the home as a primary residence.

Contact – PHFA's Homeownership Programs Division at 1(800) 822-1174 or [www.phfa.org](http://www.phfa.org)

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## SINGLE FAMILY HOMEOWNERSHIP PROGRAMS

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**PHFA/RHS Joint Financing Program** – Provides 100 percent financing to low-income families in rural Pennsylvania who are first-time homebuyers. Funding is provided through a partnership between PHFA and the Rural Housing Service (RHS) of the United States Department of Agriculture.

Contact – State Rural Housing Service office at (717) 237-2186, which will direct them to the nearest local office or PHFA's Homeownership Programs Division at 1(800) 822-1174 or [www.phfa.org](http://www.phfa.org)

**Purchase-Improvement Program** – Program allows borrowers to make up to \$15,000 in home improvements in conjunction with the purchase of a home with an agency first mortgage loan. This can include repairs, alterations or modifications to improve the basic livability, accessibility, energy efficiency or safety of the property.

Contact – PHFA's Homeownership Programs Division at 1(800) 822-1174 or [www.phfa.org](http://www.phfa.org).

**PENNVEST – Individual On-Lot Sewage System Loans** – Program provides up to \$25,000 for 20-year, very low interest rate loans to homeowners for the repair or upgrade of malfunctioning on-lot sewage systems in rural areas. These loans are insured under the FHA Title I Home Improvement Loan Program. Family income may not exceed 150 percent of the statewide median household income, adjusted annually for inflation.

Contact – PHFA's Homeownership Programs Division at 1(800) 822-1174.

## MULTIFAMILY RENTAL HOUSING PROGRAMS

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**PennHOMES Program** – Program, offers interest-free, deferred payment loans to support the development of rental housing for residents who meet income guidelines. The loans can be structured as primary or secondary mortgage loans. The source of the funds for the program include Agency reserves and federal HOME dollars provided as a subrecipient to the Department of Community and Economic Development.

Contact – PHFA's Development Division at (717) 780-3876.

**Construction Loan Program** – Program makes below market-rate construction loans available to sponsors of rental housing projects who have permanent take-out financing from other lenders. At least 20 percent of the residents of the development must have incomes that do not exceed 80 percent of the area's median income.

Contact – PHFA's Development Division at (717) 780-3876.

**Taxable and Tax Exempt Bond Financing** – Program provides financing at competitive rates to developers building, rehabilitating, or preserving rental housing developments. The rates are made competitive through the sale of Agency tax exempt and taxable bonds. Mortgage provided through Agency bond proceeds must be secured by a first lien position on the property.

Contact – PHFA's Development Division at (717) 780-3876.

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http://www.phfa.org

**MULTIFAMILY RENTAL HOUSING PROGRAMS****DEADLINE / REGULATIONS**

**Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program** – Provides owners of and investors in affordable rental housing developments with tax credits that offer a dollar-for-dollar reduction in their tax liability (the credit may be taken for up to ten years). Provides federal tax incentives for the development and preservation of affordable multifamily housing for families of lower income, senior citizens, handicapped individuals and homeless persons.

Contact – PHFA's Development Division at (717) 780-3876 or Tax Credit Program Department at (717) 780-3948.

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**Homeownership Choice Programs** – The Homeownership Construction Initiative and Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative offer funding to development proposals which provide ownership opportunities through new construction or renovation of vacant homes, turning blighted, urban areas into attractive neighborhoods. Proposals are submitted as joint applications of non-profit organizations, for-profit builders and municipalities. HCP is intended to be part of a municipality's comprehensive approach to increasing housing investment. PHFA periodically issues Requests for Proposals on the web site, [www.phfa.org](http://www.phfa.org)

Contact – Robert Bobincheck, (717) 780-1801 or Jennifer Gerace, (717) 780-3910.

**Mixed Use Facility Funding Initiative** – Provides funds for small-scale, mixed-use neighborhood revitalization efforts situated in commercial corridors around the state. Goals of this effort are to help stabilize and revitalize commercial areas and surrounding residential neighborhoods. Proposals must be for one to 20 family residential structures and include one or more storefront commercial components. Proposals must be financially viable and made by an entity with development experience in the community with the capability to complete the project.

Contact – Robert Bobincheck, (717) 780-1801 or Jennifer Gerace, (717) 780-3910.

**First Time Homeownership Counseling** – Provides funds for Homebuyer Workshops and Pre-purchase Counseling with the goal of expanding homeownership opportunities, educating consumers about the home buying experience, predatory lending and creating a network of counselors covering all phases of the homeownership experience.

Contact – Yolanda Garcia, (717) 780-4033.



**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE**

http://www.dpw.state.pa.us

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<b>Child Welfare Systems of Care Program</b> – \$500,000 federal grant awarded as a demonstration project to enable child welfare to build an infrastructure that supports cross systems collaboration in planning for children and families served by multiple agencies.	Contact – DPW at (717) 772-7016
<b>Children's Trust Fund</b> – Grants that provide funding to community-base organizations to develop new and innovative prevention-focused programs to improve overall family functioning and prevent child abuse and neglect. The board issues annual requests for proposals for grant applications.	Contact – The Children's Trust Fund at 1(800) 833-5196
<b>Developmental Disabilities Council</b> – Provides funding to demonstrate new ways to go about providing services and supports; to break down barriers; to design new systems and to bring about community regeneration.	Contact – DPW at 1(877) 685-4452
<b>Employment and Job Training for Welfare Clients</b> – Provides employment and training programs throughout Pennsylvania for welfare clients through contracts with organizations qualified to offer such programs.	Contact – DPW at (717) 787-4048
<b>Human Services Development Fund</b> – Provides counties with a flexible source of funding to be used within the seven human services programs for which the counties are responsible: Adult Services, Aging, Children & Youth, Drug and Alcohol, Homeless Assistance and the Community Mental Health/Mental Retardation programs.	Contact – DPW at (717) 772-252
<b>Low Income Home Energy Assistance (LIHEAP)</b> – Assistance to help individuals and families pay for winter heating bills. Two types of statewide grants are offered: cash and crisis. Cash grants are based on income, family size, type of heating fuel and heating regions. Crisis grants are awarded to families with heating emergencies, such as mechanical breakdowns or unexpected fuel shortages. Neither grant must be repaid. No lien is placed on the property of families obtaining the grants.	Program opens November 6, 2006 and closes on March 22, 2007.  Contact the Office of Income Maintenance at (717) 783-3063 or local county assistance office or 1(866) 857-7095.
<b>Pennsylvania Access Grant Program</b> – DPW and DCED Program that provides low- and moderate-income persons with permanent disabilities increased accessibility in their current home by undertaking modifications to the home.	Phone – (717) 214-5341 Web – <a href="http://www.newPA.com">www.newPA.com</a>

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

http://www.dpw.state.pa.us

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**Supported Work Program** – DPW and DCED Program that prepares and assists public assistance recipients to obtain unsubsidized employment and provides work opportunities for post-24 month cash assistance recipients. Through Community Action Agencies, basic support services, such as transportation and child care reimbursement, are provided.

Phone: (717) 787-1984  
Web: [www.newPA](http://www.newPA)

**DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE**

<http://www.revenue.state.pa.us>

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**Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program** – This program was expanded for property taxes paid in tax year 2006 by Act 1 of 2006 of Special Session 1. The passage of the Taxpayer Relief Act will help homeowners and greatly benefit seniors.

Seniors will get the extra help they need through a major expansion of the state Property Tax and Rent Rebate Program, which will take effect with the property tax bills seniors receive in the summer of 2006.

An additional 420,000 seniors will receive help paying their property taxes or rent, and more than 200,000 seniors will have their school property taxes completely eliminated. Under the old system, seniors could receive a property tax or rent rebate if they earned up to \$15,000 a year (excluding ½ of Social Security). The maximum rebate was \$500. The law increases the income limit to \$35,000 for homeowners and boosts the maximum rebate to \$650.

Homeowners will now receive:

Income	Rebate
\$0 to \$8,000	\$650
\$8,001 to \$15,000	\$500
\$15,001 to \$18,000	\$300
\$18,001 to \$35,000	\$250

Renters will now receive:

Income	Rebate
\$0 to \$8,000	\$650
\$8,001 to \$15,000	\$500

The law gives even more tax relief to the seniors with the highest need:

- Seniors who live in Philadelphia, Pittsburgh or Scranton where local wage/income tax rates are very high will not benefit from a local tax shift to lower their taxes on top of the reduction offered by the state funded property tax relief. To ensure that seniors in these communities receive significant property tax relief, seniors in these communities will have their property tax rebate increase by an additional 50 percent if their income is under \$30,000.
- Seniors in the rest of state who pay more than 15 percent of their income in property taxes will also have their property tax rebate increase by an additional 50 percent if their income is under \$30,000, since they are paying so much of what they make towards property taxes.

The changes to the rebate program's income limits and maximum rebate will go into effect for property taxes that seniors pay in the 2007 tax year. **These rebates will be paid in the summer of 2008.**

The extra help for seniors in urban school districts and who pay more than 15 percent of their income in property taxes will occur once the first statewide property tax relief occurs for all homeowners. Claimants or spouses 65 years of age or older; widows or widowers 50 years of age or older; and the permanently disabled 18 years of age or older may qualify for the Property Tax/Rent Rebate program.

The Property Tax and Rent Rebate expansion will not drain the Lottery Fund. Gaming funds will pay for the full expansion – and will even reimburse the Lottery for the cost of the expansion before gaming is up and running. For more information contact your local Area Agency on Aging.

Beginning in 2007, taxpayers will also be able to pay their school property taxes on an installment plan. This option will help seniors in particular, since they often do not pay school property taxes on a monthly basis through a mortgage company.

Please go to the department's web site for more information – <http://www.papropertytaxrelief.com/property-taxes/site/default.asp>

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**Research and Development Tax Credit** – Allows companies holding qualifying Research and Development Tax Credits to apply for approval to sell those tax credits and assign them to the buyer(s). Businesses qualifying for the federal Research and Development tax credit and making research and development investments in Pennsylvania are eligible. It is used for applied research and development expenditures. 10 percent tax credit of company’s increased research and development expenses over a base period (prorated to not exceed \$15 million annual cap for all businesses); Up to 20 percent of total pool set aside for small businesses Applicable to CNI, CSFT and PIT tax liability; Unused credits may be carried over for up to 15 succeeding taxable years.

Contact – Pennsylvania Department of Revenue, (717) 787-8201.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

<http://www.dos.pa.us>

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**HAVA COUNTY GRANT** – The federal Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA) includes substantial funding to assist states and their potential subdivisions to accomplish many of HAVA’s mandates. The Department of State received Pennsylvania’s share of these funds. The department has established guide-lines for the disbursement of these federal subsidies.

Only counties may apply. Funding can be used for the pro-curement and replacement of voting systems and for polling place accessibility.

Under the Commonwealth’s State Plan, each county must complete a County Plan before it can receive a grant from the Commonwealth’s share of requirements payments under Title II of HAVA, which by far represents the largest pool of Federal funding under HAVA.

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (PENNDOT)**<http://www.dot.state.pa.us>**GRANT****DEADLINE / REGULATIONS****BUREAU OF AVIATION**

**Federal Airport Improvement Program** – Federally funded program administered by the Bureau of Aviation as a block grant state. Provides funds for airport development. Eligible projects are funded with 95% federal, 2.5% state and 2.5% local funds. Available to general aviation and non-primary commercial airports that are either publicly owned or designated relievers.

Qualifying airports must be listed in the National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS).

Contact – Eric Locke, (717) 705-1223,  
e-mail: [elocke@state.pa.us](mailto:elocke@state.pa.us).

**Aviation Development Program** – State funded program that provides funds for airport development. This program is funded out of the Aviation Restricted Account which is comprised of a state tax on jet fuel sold in Pennsylvania. Eligible projects are funded up to 75% state, 25% local funds. Available only to public use general aviation airports.

Contact – Eric Locke, (717) 705-1223,  
e-mail: [elocke@state.pa.us](mailto:elocke@state.pa.us).

**Capital Budget /Aviation Transportation Assistance Program** – State funded program that provides funds for improvement projects to airports with public sponsors. Federally eligible projects can be funded up to 75% and non-federally eligible for 50%. The remaining share is paid by the local sponsor/owner. Letters are sent to eligible sponsors prior to release. Available only to airports with public sponsors. Projects must be in an active Capital Budget bill.

Contact – Eric Locke, (717) 705-1223,  
e-mail: [elocke@state.pa.us](mailto:elocke@state.pa.us).

**Pennsylvania Infrastructure Bank-Aviation (PIB)** – Revolving loan fund administered by PennDot for eligible airport development at public-use airports. Interest rate is one-half the prime lending rate. Maximum loan term of 10 years.

Contact – Eric Locke, (717) 705-1223,  
e-mail: [elocke@state.pa.us](mailto:elocke@state.pa.us).

**Real Estate Aviation Tax Rebates** – Program funded through tax on aviation gas (for propeller-driven piston aircraft) and limited to taxes collected in the previous year. Provides reimbursement equal to the amount of local real estate taxes paid for aviation-related areas (non-revenue producing). Eligible grant requests exceeding funds available are prorated.

Application deadline is February 1 for taxes paid the preceding year.

Contact – Eric Locke, (717) 705-1223,  
e-mail: [elocke@state.pa.us](mailto:elocke@state.pa.us).

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (PENNDOT)**

<http://www.dot.state.pa.us>

**GRANT****DEADLINE / REGULATIONS****BUREAU OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND TRAFFIC ENGINEERING**

**Highway Safety Grant Program** – Federally funded program that provides funds for highway safety initiatives. Eligible grant recipients must be governmental units. Local matching funds may be required based on the section of funding per NHTSA.

Grants are awarded to support Pennsylvania's Comprehensive Strategic Highway Safety Improvement Plan (CSHSIP). Funds are granted to perform data driven and result oriented specific activities to implement strategies identified in the CSHSIP.

September 30 – Grant proposals must be submitted in writing to be considered by the Safety Advisory Committee (SAC).

Grantees are required to adhere to all pre-approval criteria to include; concise problem identification, agency qualifications, and a detailed action plan. Additionally, all grantees must comply with all reporting requirements as well as participation in intermittent and final performance assessments.

Contact – Lou Rader, (717) 783-1901, e-mail: [lrader@state.pa.us](mailto:lrader@state.pa.us).

**BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES**

**Reduced Motor Vehicle Registration** – Retired persons can register their automobiles for a \$10 fee instead of \$36 fee.

Those eligible must be a retired Pa resident receiving Social Security or pension/annuities that do not exceed \$19,200 annually. A completed MV-371 is required.

Contact – local county Area Agency on Aging or PennDOT Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Riverfront Office Center, 1101 S. Front Street, Harrisburg, PA 17104; phone 1(800) 932-4600.

**BUREAU OF RAIL FREIGHT, PORTS AND WATERWAYS**

**Rail Freight Assistance Program (RFAP)** – Provides state funded financial assistance for investment in rail freight infrastructure to preserve rail freight service and stimulate economic development through the generation of new or expanded rail freight service.

RFAP is an annual grant program with a current funding allocation of \$11.5 million. The maximum state funding for any project is \$700,000, or no greater than 70% of the actual total project cost, whichever is less. The funding for the construction portion of any project can not exceed \$250,000. The final grant award will be based upon actual bid costs or agreed upon prices if work is to be performed by your own labor forces.

Types of projects eligible for funding:

- Maintenance – includes replacement of ties, rail, plates, turn-outs & other track materials. See PennDOT's web site ([www.dot.state.pa.us](http://www.dot.state.pa.us)) for more details.

Applications typically accepted late summer through fall of each year. Applications deadlines can be found on PennDOT's web site at: [www.dot.state.pa.us](http://www.dot.state.pa.us).

Applications must be submitted electronically via the PennDOT Grant Management System. To access the application, go to [www.dot34.state.pa.us/egrants](http://www.dot34.state.pa.us/egrants).

Applications compete for funding and all projects are scored and ranked and receive funding based on the total score received (We typically receive double the amount of funding requests for the available funding)

Contact – Lugene Bastian, (717) 783-8763, e-mail: [lbastian@state.pa.us](mailto:lbastian@state.pa.us).

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- Construction – consists of the cost to purchase ties, rail, ballast & other track material to construct a railroad line (where none exists) or rail associated facility.

**Capital Budget Rail Freight Assistance** – State funded program that provides financial assistance to railroads and users of the rail freight transportation system for rail freight maintenance and construction projects.

An annual grant program with a current funding allocation of \$20 million. Only entities that have an authorization in a current Capital Budget Act are eligible to apply.

Eligible types of project include rail maintenance and construction. Maximum state funding for both types of projects is 70% of the total project cost, but shall not exceed the line item amount authorized by the specific capital budget bill containing the budget authorization.

Applications typically accepted mid summer through early fall of each year. Applications deadlines can be found on PennDOT's web site at: [www.dot.state.pa.us](http://www.dot.state.pa.us).

Applications must be submitted electronically via the PennDOT Grant Management System. To access the application, go to [www.dot34.state.pa.us/egrants](http://www.dot34.state.pa.us/egrants).

Contact – Lugene Bastian, (717) 783-8763, e-mail: [lbastian@state.pa.us](mailto:lbastian@state.pa.us).

**Pennsylvania Infrastructure Bank (PIB) for Rail Freight Projects** – This is a PennDOT operated revolving loan fund that offers flexible financing opportunities for eligible transportation improvement projects throughout the Commonwealth.

Rail Infrastructure Construction and Rehabilitation projects are the types of projects financed. The interest rate on PIB loans is fixed at one-half the prime lending rate with terms up to 10 years. Applications may be submitted at any time and are considered on an ongoing basis. The PIB Handbook, which contains additional information and the PIB loan application are available at: [www.dot.state.pa.us](http://www.dot.state.pa.us).

Contact – James Smedley, (717) 772-1772, e-mail: [jsmedley@state.pa.us](mailto:jsmedley@state.pa.us).

**BUREAU OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION**

**Public Transportation Operating Assistance** – State funding is provided to help cover the operating costs of the 53 transit systems offering fixed route public transportation in the Commonwealth. Routine maintenance of facilities and vehicles is also eligible under this program. Funding is distributed based on a legislative formula. Local matching funds must be provided in order to receive funding.

Deadline – June 30

Contact – LaVerne Collins, (717) 787-1214 or [lacollins@state.pa.us](mailto:lacollins@state.pa.us).

**Transit Capital Assistance** – State funding is provided to local operators of public transportation systems to cover the costs of capital improvements which include purchase/overhaul of public transportation facilities and vehicles (including buses, rail passenger vehicles, administrative and maintenance facilities, shop tools, equipment, two way communication equipment, etc.)

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<p>tion systems, transfer centers, bus shelters, etc) All capital projects must be included in the state capital program to be eligible for funds. Funds are distributed based on need in the following programs.</p>	
<p><b>Capital Improvements Program</b> – Funding distributed by formula to transit agencies based on ridership. This program requires no local match.</p>	<p>Deadline – Legislation enacted July 2007; Deadline to be determined.</p> <p>Contact – LaVerne Collins, (717) 787-1214 or <a href="mailto:lacollins@state.pa.us">lacollins@state.pa.us</a>.</p>
<p><b>Asset Improvement Program.</b> - Funds distributed based on needs as determined by the Department. This program will require a local match.</p>	<p>Deadline – Legislation enacted July 2007; Deadline to be determined.</p> <p>Contact – LaVerne Collins, (717) 787-1214 or <a href="mailto:lacollins@state.pa.us">lacollins@state.pa.us</a>.</p>
<p><b>New Initiatives.</b> – Funds may be available for capital funding for new or expanded fixed guideway systems that use and occupy a separate right of way or rail used exclusively for public transportation or high occupancy vehicles. This program will require local matching funds.</p>	<p>Deadline – Legislation enacted July 2007; Deadline to be determined.</p> <p>Contact – LaVerne Collins, (717) 787-1214 or <a href="mailto:lacollins@state.pa.us">lacollins@state.pa.us</a>.</p>
<p><b>Transit Capital Assistance for Purchase of Accessible Small Transit Vehicles</b> (section 5310 Program) Private, non-profit organizations and dedicated public bodies may apply to pay 80 percent of the purchase costs of new wheelchair accessible vehicles and other related transportation equipment. The remaining 20 percent must be provided by the local applicant. Private, non-profit agencies, some urban and rural transit systems and counties with public transportation are eligible for funding under this program.</p> <p>Public bodies must be a Shared Ride Coordinator in PennDOT's Senior Citizens' Shared Ride program.</p>	<p>Deadline – Flexible, but usually January 31</p> <p>Contact – Ben Brosius, (717) 787-1211 or <a href="mailto:bbrosius@state.pa.us">bbrosius@state.pa.us</a>.</p>
<p><b>Intercity Bus Assistance Program:</b> PennDOT contracts with municipalities and private intercity bus companies to provide scheduled, fixed route service along routes which are considered essential links in the regional/statewide network of intercity bus services, but which cannot be financially supported solely from user fares. Intermodal terminals that are publicly owned may receive capital funding under this program. This program provides both state and federal funds and requires a match equivalent to state funding for operating assistance.</p>	<p>Deadline – No deadline</p> <p>Contact – Robert Sharp, (717) 783-9461 or <a href="mailto:rosharp@state.pa.us">rosharp@state.pa.us</a>.</p>

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**Intercity Rail Passenger Program:** PennDOT contracts with AMTRAK for rail passenger service in the Philadelphia-to-Harrisburg corridor to complement services provided within the Commonwealth by AMTRAK as part of their national rail passenger service network. Capital improvements and operating costs may be supported under this program.

No deadline

Contact – Robert Sharp, (717) 783-9461 or [rosharp@state.pa.us](mailto:rosharp@state.pa.us).

**Free Transit Program for Senior Citizens:** Senior citizens may ride free on local fixed route bus, trolley, subway elevated and commuter rail services during all hours of service. Senior citizens will pay \$1 per trip for commuter rail service.

No deadline. A person must be at least 65 years of age to qualify for free transportation on a participating transit system. All providers of fixed route transportation services are eligible to participate.

Contact – John Swindler, (717)346-9983 or [jswindler@state.pa.us](mailto:jswindler@state.pa.us).

**Shared Ride Program for Senior Citizens:** This program enables senior citizens 65 years of age and older to use shared-ride, demand-responsive (normally door-to-door) services and pay only a small percentage of the regular shared-ride fare. A senior citizen or a sponsoring agency pays 15% of the shared-ride fare and State Lottery proceeds administered by the Department are used to reimburse the participating service provider up to 85% of the fare. There are no restrictions on the hours of use other than the service hours of the transportation providers.

Deadline – May 1.

Contact – Eileen Ogan, (717) 787-1213 or [eogan@state.pa.us](mailto:eogan@state.pa.us).

A person must be at least 65 years of age to qualify for reduced fare transportation on a participating transit system. Passengers must reserve their trip at least one day in advance and be willing to share the vehicle with other riders.

**Rural Persons with Disabilities Program:** This program provides reduced rates on shared-ride transportation services for persons with disabilities in selected counties in Pennsylvania. In those counties, shared-ride trips for persons with disabilities are discounted up to 85% if the trip is not eligible under any other funding program. The passenger pays at least 15% of the general public shared-ride fare on local shared-ride door-to-door advance reservation transportation service.

Deadline – May 1.

Shared-ride transportation systems in all counties except Allegheny and Pittsburgh are eligible to apply for these funds.

Contact – Eileen Ogan, (717) 787-1213 or [eogan@state.pa.us](mailto:eogan@state.pa.us).

To qualify for the reduced fare, persons with disabilities must present proof of disability to the local shared-ride provider in their county. Passengers must reserve their trip at least one day in advance and be willing to share the vehicle with other riders.

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**Welfare to work (w2w):** State funds are available annually for the purpose of creating programs which address transportation related barriers that prevent low income individuals (incomes less than 235% of the Federal Family Poverty Income Guidelines) from accessing employment and being dependable workers. Eligible applicants are county/municipal governments (except Allegheny and Philadelphia), and transportation organizations/authorities. Funding is also available to match federal Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) and New Freedom grants from the Federal Transit Administration.

Deadline – March 30

Contact – John Levitsky, (717) 787-1206 or [jlevitsky@state.pa.us](mailto:jlevitsky@state.pa.us).

**Community Transportation Capital Equipment:** State and federal funds are available annually for the purposes of replacing and/or upgrading equipment used to provide community transportation/shared ride services. Funds may also be used to purchase, construct and/or renovate shared-ride office and maintenance facilities.

Deadline – January 31

Contact – John Levitsky, (717)787-1206 or [jlevitsky@state.pa.us](mailto:jlevitsky@state.pa.us).

All counties except Allegheny and Pittsburgh are eligible to apply for these funds.

**Transit Research and Demonstration Projects:** Funding is available for technical assistance, research projects and short term demonstration projects. Local transportation organizations and municipalities/counties are eligible to apply for this funding. Local funds equal to at least 3.33% of the state grant must be provided.

Deadline – N/A

Contact – LaVerne Collins, (717) 787-1214 or [lacollins@state.pa.us](mailto:lacollins@state.pa.us).

**BUREAU OF MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

**Agility Program** – This innovative, streamlined program is designed to make the most of limited resources by exchanging services between PennDOT District and County maintenance offices and public procurement units such as municipalities, charitable hospitals, school districts, metropolitan and rural planning organizations, volunteer fire departments, law enforcement agencies, state and federal government agencies, community colleges, etc. Agility allows the exchange of services, instead of money, between PennDOT and eligible partners. For example, PennDOT may patch potholes along a township road in exchange for having the township's crew mow along state roads. The program has enabled local governments to accomplish more than they could have with their own limited resources and increased our collective effectiveness and efficiencies for the general public.

Agility Agreements have a contract life of five years and may be renewed in additional five year increments.

An Agility Agreement must be adopted at a public, advertised meeting of the Agility Partner. Services to be exchanged should be of a reasonably equal value and detailed on a single-page Work Plan and approved by PennDOT, the partner and AFSCME.

Contact – Toni Crawford, (717) 705-1333, e-mail: [tc Crawford@state.pa.us](mailto:tc Crawford@state.pa.us).

# DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (PENNDOT)

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**Highway Transfer (Turnback) Program** – Governor Rendell enacted Act70 in July 2006, amending Act 1983-32 authorizing an increase in the annual maintenance payment rate for all Turnback roads from \$2,500 per mile to \$4,000 per mile. This annual maintenance payment is made in perpetuity for the maintenance of the roadway and is released in April of each year. The objective is to transfer the ownership of state-owned roads that are better suited for local traffic purposes, such as roads that have a low average daily traffic count or would benefit the municipality socially and economically. PennDOT either rehabilitates the roadway before the transfer takes place or provides the municipality with funding to rehabilitate the roadway to improve its quality and service life. Local officials must adopt a resolution authorizing the acceptance of the transfer. Each PennDOT district office has a turnback coordinator who can assist local governments.

Contact – Bonnie Fields, (717) 214-8686, e-mail: [bfields@state.pa.us](mailto:bfields@state.pa.us).

**Pilot Roadside Beautification Project** – This pilot project is a collaboration between PennDOT's Bureau of Municipal Services' Agility Center and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to streamline the installation process of beautification sites on roads and highway right-of-ways. The \$1M pilot project is 100% funded by the FHWA. A Design/Build landscape contractor designs and installs each site in partnership with PennDOT and a volunteer Beautification Sponsor Group. To date, there are eight (8) completed beautification sites. The landscape contractor maintains each site for a one-year Period of Establishment (POE). At the end of the POE, the site is turned over to the volunteer Beautification Sponsor Group which maintains the site for a 3-year minimum with an option to renew. Since this is a pilot project, only Engineering Districts 1-0, 2-0, 9-0, 10-0, 11-0, and 12-0 are participating. Approval is being sought to expand this pilot project to the remaining Engineering Districts.

Contact – Tammy McElfresh, (717) 705-1333, e-mail: [tmcelfresh@state.pa.us](mailto:tmcelfresh@state.pa.us).

Highway beautification not only enhances communities, it helps improve the quality of life for residents by attracting new investments and businesses. Academic studies show that beautified highways reduce stress, frustration, and aggression.

## BUREAU OF PLANNING AND RESEARCH

**PennDOT's Local Technical Assistance Program** – PennDOT's Local Technical Assistance Program offers local governments practical training in efficient maintenance, essential traffic safety, and sound management practices for their roadways and bridges. Training is supplemented by one-on-one technical assistance via phone, email, and site visits and through publications highlighting recent practical technological advances. Most LTAP services are available at little or no cost to municipalities to help them meet their transportation needs.

Contact – Kim Ferroni, (717) 214-8685 or 1(800) FOR-LTAP, e-mail: [kferroni@state.pa.us](mailto:kferroni@state.pa.us) or [LTAP@state.pa.us](mailto:LTAP@state.pa.us).

# PENNSYLVANIA TREASURY DEPARTMENT

<http://www.patreasury.org>

## RESOURCE

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**AgriLink** – AgriLink is a joint program among the Treasury Department, the Department of Agriculture, and the State Conservation Commission to provide low-interest loans to help farmers implement Best Management Practices (BMP's) that are part of an approved nutrient management plan under the Nutrient Management Act program. Participating banks, savings and loan institutions, and the Farm Credit Service provide loan funds to eligible farmers.

Contact – (717) 787-8821, State Conservation Commission, or (717) 783-2820, Treasury Department, Bureau of Cash Management and Investments.

**Better Choice** – Better Choice is a partnership between the Treasury Department, the Pennsylvania Credit Union Association and dozens of independent credit unions that offers consumers a fair and affordable alternative to predatory payday loans. Borrowers can apply for loans of up to \$500 with a fixed application fee of no more than \$25 and annual interest rates of no more than 18%. The term of the loans can be as long as 90 days, and borrowers can pay in installments during that period rather than having to make a single, lump sum payment. Better Choice loans are currently available from more than 150 credit union branch offices across the Commonwealth.

Additional information about the Better Choice program is available at [www.pacreditunions.com](http://www.pacreditunions.com).

**Bureau of Unclaimed Property** – The Treasury Department is responsible for returning unclaimed property to its rightful owner(s). Unclaimed property is any financial asset that has been left with a "holder," such as a bank, insurance company or other business or organization, without activity or contact for a period of about five years. The most common types of unclaimed property are savings or checking accounts, stocks, dividends, checks that have not been cashed, certificates of deposit, unclaimed insurance benefits, unused gift certificates, items abandoned in safe deposit boxes or held by police departments. By law, holders must transfer abandoned property to the Treasury Department. Treasury maintains custody of unclaimed property while working hard to return it to its rightful owner(s).

Individuals can search for unclaimed property on the department's web site at [www.patreasury.org](http://www.patreasury.org) or by calling 1(800) 222-2046. Claimants may also use the web site to check the status of an unclaimed property claim.

Holders needing information about reporting unclaimed property by April 15<sup>th</sup> of each year may call Treasury at 1(800) 379-3999 or visit the department's web site at [www.patreasury.org](http://www.patreasury.org) for a copy of the Unclaimed Property Act and to download reporting forms and/or reporting software.

**Hospital Enhancement Loan Program (H·E·L·P)** – H·E·L·P is a Composite Bond Offering that enables hospitals to gain access to funds needed to upgrade facilities and purchase medical technology. In offering this program, the Treasury Department works with the Department of Community and Economic Development Financing Authority (PEDFA) as the bond issuer and NatCity Investments as the underwriter. The H·E·L·P Composite Bond Offering helps hospitals save time and costs associated with taxable and non-taxable bond financing by streamlining the process and spreading fixed issuance expenses over a number of participants.

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**INVEST Program** – INVEST is a family of highly rated investment pools designed specifically for local government and nonprofit groups. INVEST is similar in concept to money market funds, offering two rated pools with short-term maturity as well as periodic custom investment opportunities for longer-term investment needs.

Local Governments – Call 1(866) 300-4603 for the Local Government Investment Pool Application Form. Applications should be directed to The Pennsylvania Treasury, INVEST Program, Rm. G-22 Finance Building, Harrisburg, PA 17120.

Nonprofits – Call 1(866) 300-4603 for the Community Investment Pool Application Packet. Applications should be directed to: The Pennsylvania Treasury, INVEST Program, Rm. G-22 Finance Building, Harrisburg, PA 17120.

**KeystoneHELP** – KeystoneHELP (Home Energy Loan Program) is a low-interest loan program that helps Pennsylvania homeowners reduce energy costs. Eligible homeowners can obtain unsecured loans of up to \$10,000 for as long as ten years to purchase ENERGY STAR heating or cooling units and other major appliances, or to make other improvements to their homes that will conserve energy and save money.

Information about applying for a Keystone-HELP loan is available at [www.Keystone-HELP.com](http://www.Keystone-HELP.com) or at 1(888) 232-3477.

**\*\*\*Note\*\*\*** KeystoneHELP differs from the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), which provides grants to help low-income families pay their heating bills. More information about LIHEAP and about determining eligibility is available from the toll-free Stay Warm PA hotline, 1(866) 550-4355 or the toll-free LIHEAP hotline at 1(866) 857-7095.

**nowU Pennsylvania 529 Guaranteed Savings Plan** – The nowU Pennsylvania 529 Guaranteed Savings Plan (GSP) is a college savings plan that provides all of the benefits and advantages of a 529 plan and guarantees that account savings will keep up with the rising cost of tuition inflation. Anyone age 18 or older can open a GSP account, so long as the account owner or beneficiary is a resident of Pennsylvania, with as little as \$25. With a GSP account, families can save for college in a way that meets nearly every need and budget. Accounts can be used for most expenses at almost any college and many career schools.

More information about the GSP is available at [www.pa529gsp.com](http://www.pa529gsp.com) or by calling 1-800-440-4000. The GSP guarantee is a guarantee of the GSP fund and not the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Read the Disclosure Statement carefully for important information about the nowU Pennsylvania Guaranteed Savings Plan.

Pennsylvania taxpayers can deduct contributions to the GSP from their Pennsylvania taxable income up to \$12,000 per beneficiary per year. For married couples, contributions up to \$24,000 per beneficiary are deductible, provided each spouse has taxable income of \$12,000.

**OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION**

www.oa.state.pa.us/oac

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**PA Open for Business** – Web site offers entrepreneurs “one door” access to business information. Entrepreneurs can explore financial options, download important forms necessary to start and expand a business, and electronically register a business with the Pennsylvania Departments of Labor and Industry, Revenue, and State.

Contact – Office of Administration  
Web: [www.paopen4business.state.pa.us](http://www.paopen4business.state.pa.us)

The following list is from [www.paopen4business.state.pa.us](http://www.paopen4business.state.pa.us) under Financial Incentives.

**Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED)** – DCED has a comprehensive toolbox of bond, grant, loan and tax credit programs to assist businesses and meet the needs of Pennsylvania’s employers by creating and retaining family-sustaining jobs.

Contact – [www.newpa.com/default.aspx?id=223](http://www.newpa.com/default.aspx?id=223)

**Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture Financial Programs** – The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture offers many different grants, loans, and other financial programs to promote and support agriculture within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Contact – [www.agriculture.state.pa.us/agriculture/cwp/view.asp?a=3&q=127319&agricultureNav=1](http://www.agriculture.state.pa.us/agriculture/cwp/view.asp?a=3&q=127319&agricultureNav=1)

**Keystone Opportunity Zones (KOZ)** – The KOZ program represents the boldest, more forward-thinking economic development program in the nation because it empowers local communities and has fostered unique state/local and private/public partnerships. State and local taxes are reduced to almost zero through credits, waivers, and comprehensive deductions. The tax abatements, depending on the zone, could remain in effect until 2018. There are 12 regional zones that encompass more than 37,000 acres.

Contact – [www.koz.newpa.com/](http://www.koz.newpa.com/)

**Employment Incentive Payment (EIP) Program** – EIP is a Pennsylvania State tax credit in effect through December 31, 2004. By hiring workers who are qualified cash welfare recipient or vocational rehabilitation referrals, an employer can earn tax credits that can be applied to state business taxes.

Contact – [www.dli.state.pa.us/landi/cwp/2647](http://www.dli.state.pa.us/landi/cwp/2647)

**Welfare to Work (WTW) Tax Credit** – WTW is a tax credit for employers who hire long-term welfare recipients. To qualify employers for this tax credit, new hires must begin work before January 1, 2006, and must be employed at least 180 days or 400 hours.

Contact – [www.dli.state.pa.us/landi/cwp/2646](http://www.dli.state.pa.us/landi/cwp/2646)

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**Work Opportunity Tax Credits (WOTC)** – WOTC provides employers tax savings as an incentive to hire job seekers with barriers to employment. The WOTC applies to new employees hired before January 1, 2006.

Contact – [www.dli.state.pa.us/landi/cwp/2646](http://www.dli.state.pa.us/landi/cwp/2646)

**Incentive/Assistance Programs** – Find a “brass tacks” description of different incentive and assistance programs available to help a business succeed. Search the Business Resource Network program database by eligible uses, program name or program type.

Information on requirements, contact information, and how to apply can also be found.

Contact – [www.newpa.com/default.aspx?id=223](http://www.newpa.com/default.aspx?id=223)

**Ben Franklin Technology Partners** – Ben Franklin Technology Partners is a statewide network that fosters innovation to stimulate Pennsylvania’s economic growth and prosperity. Operating regionally with four centers strategically located throughout the Commonwealth, Ben Franklin Technology Partners brings together the best of Pennsylvania’s people, ideas, and technology to serve as a catalyst for advancing the state’s knowledge-based economy.

Contact – [www.benfranklin.org](http://www.benfranklin.org)



**OFFICE OF THE BUDGET**

www.budget.state.pa.us

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**Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program** – Provides for the acquisition and construction of regional economic, cultural, civic and historical improvement projects. Preference is given to projects that display significant potential for improving economic growth and the creation of jobs and new opportunities to a diverse group of communities throughout Pennsylvania. Projects must be itemized in an enacted capital budget and there are match requirements that must be strictly adhered to.

Contact – Office of the Budget  
 Phone: (866) 466-3972  
 Web: [www.newPA.com](http://www.newPA.com)

**PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION ON CRIME & DELINQUENCY (PCCD)**<http://www.pccd.state.pa.us>**GRANT****DEADLINE / REGULATIONS**

**Enhancement of Criminal Justice Advisory Boards (CJABs)** – Provides funds to established CJABs to implement programs to address local needs, and improve information sharing within the county.

Contact – Bob Ardner, (717) 787-5152, Ext. 3021.

**School Resource Officer (SRO)/ Gang Resistance Education and Training (G.R.E.A.T.)** – Provides funds to assist police departments and school districts willing to work cooperatively to promote enhanced school safety and security.

Contact – Sue Lanza, (717) 787-5152, Ext. 3043.

**D.A.R.E. Officer Training and Mentor Training** – Provides state grants to train and certify law enforcement officers to teach the D.A.R.E. curriculum in Pennsylvania's elementary, middle and secondary schools.

Contact – Sue Lanza, (717) 787-5152, Ext. 3043.

**County Intermediate Punishment Program** – Provides funds to support county restrictive intermediate punishment programs consistent with approved county intermediate punishment plans.

Contact – Jeff Hubert, (717) 787-5152, Ext. 3072.

Matching funds are not required.

**Drug & Alcohol Treatment-based Restrictive Intermediate Punishment Program** – Provides funds to support drug and alcohol assessment, evaluation and treatment services related to county intermediate punishment activities.

Contact – Jackie Weaknecht, (717) 787-5152, Ext. 3063.

Matching funds are not required.

**Justice Assistance Grant Program** – Provides assistance to state and local units of government in implementing projects that offer high probability of improving the criminal justice system.

Contact – Tom D'Annunzio, (717) 787-5152, Ext. 3037.

Matching fund requirements are: 25 percent the first year, 50 percent the second and 75 percent the third.

**Statewide Automated Victim Information and Notification (SAVIN) System** – Provides funds to establish a statewide database to notify victims and law enforcement of offender status.

Contact – Tom D'Annunzio, (717) 787-5152, Ext. 3037.

Matching fund requirement is 50 percent in-kind.

**PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION ON CRIME & DELINQUENCY (PCCD)**

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**Substance Abuse Education and Demand Reduction Fund (SAEDRF)** – Provides funds for proven approaches to public awareness, prevention, intervention, training, treatment and education services to reduce substance abuse and implement statewide programs to assist families in accessing such services. Funds to support this program will be made available by Act 36 of 2006 that establishes the SAEDRF.

Matching funds are not required.

Contact – Paul Leeper, (717) 787-5152, Ext. 3073.

**Federal VOCA Program** – Provides funds that are used to provide direct services, e.g., crisis intervention, counseling, accompaniment, legal advocacy, shelter, etc., for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse and other serious crimes.

Matching fund requirement is 20 percent in-kind.

Contact – Karen Fry, (717) 783-0551, Ext. 3166.

**State Rights and Services Act Program** – Provides funds for system-based services for victims consistent with the Crime Victim's Act and PCCD Standards (orientation/opportunities for input to and notice of pleas, sentences, releases/assistance with restitution and compensation). Funds made available through \$25 penalty assessment on convicted/diverted offenders.

Matching funds are not required.

Contact – Natalie Novotny-Goles, (717) 783-0551, Ext. 3086.

**Stop Violence Against Women Program** – Provides funds to improve the criminal justice system's response to violence against women and to improve the services to women who are victims of violent criminal acts.

Matching fund requirement is 25 percent cash or in-kind.

Contact – Rebecca Slavinsky, (717) 783-0551, Ext. 3058.

**State Victims of Juvenile Offenders Program** – Provides funds through an allocation from the Commonwealth Budget to encourage system-based services for victims of juvenile offenders consistent with the Crime Victim's Act and PCCD Standards (orientation/opportunities for input to and notice of pleas, diversions, dispositions, releases/assistance with restitution and compensation).

Matching funds are not required.

Contact – Natalie Novotny-Goles, (717) 783-0551, Ext. 3086.

**Pennsylvania Weed and Seed Program** – Provides funds to support for research-based delinquency and violence prevention programs; innovative and proactive proposals to improve neighborhood quality of life by reducing juvenile crime and violence; and Community Development Financial Institutions

Contact – Nancy J. Chavez (717) 787-2040, Ext. 3087.

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(CDFIs) and community-based organizations as a means of addressing the capital needs for local community and economic development. Grants serve the fifteen current PA Weed and Seed sites.

#### **Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention Program**

– Funds are used to provide match-free subgrants to units of local government and private non-profits for a broad range of juvenile justice and delinquency prevention projects.

Matching fund requirements are: 50 percent for construction only.

Contact – Derin Myers, (717) 787-8559, Ext. 3030.

**Title V Risk-Focused Prevention** – Provides funds to support community-based risk focused prevention programs.

Matching fund requirements are: 50 percent cash or in-kind match.

Contact – Derin Myers, (717) 787-8559, Ext. 3030.

**Juvenile Accountability Block Grant Program** – Provides funds to address the growing problem of juvenile crime by encouraging accountability-based reforms at the state and local level.

Matching fund requirements are: 10 percent cash match, 50 percent for construction costs of permanent juvenile corrections facilities.

Contact – Derin Myers, (717) 787-8559, Ext. 3030.

**Safe & Drug Free Schools & Communities** – Provides match-free subgrants for programs/projects that (1) prevent school violence/drug use; and (2) helps schools and communities create safe, disciplined, and drug-free environments that support student academic achievement.

Contact – Derin Myers, (717) 787-8559, Ext. 3030.

## PENNSYLVANIA FISH & BOAT COMMISSION (PFBC)

<http://www.fish.state.pa.us/mpag1.htm>

The commission has a number of grant programs that provide funding in support of fishing, boating and aquatic resource conservation. The information listed in the grant directory also appears on the commission's webpage: [http://sites.state.pa.us/PA\\_Exec/Fish\\_Boat/grants.htm](http://sites.state.pa.us/PA_Exec/Fish_Boat/grants.htm). Each grant has appropriate links for program description and grant details.

### GRANT

**Boating Facility Grant Program** – Provides grants to county and municipal governments for the planning, acquisition, development, expansion and rehabilitation of public boating facilities located on the waters of the Commonwealth.

**Boating Infrastructure Grant Program** – Provides grants for transient moorage (tie-ups) serving recreational motorboats 26 feet and longer.

**Clean Vessel Act (Pumpout Grant Program)** – Helps fund the construction, renovation and maintenance of pumpout and dump stations to service pleasure boats.

**Coldwater Heritage Partnership** – Provides leadership, coordination, technical assistance and funding support for the evaluation, conservation and protection of Pennsylvania's coldwater streams.

**Cooperative Nursery Grants** – Provides monies for new construction, and additions and improvements to existing hatcheries within the PA Fish and Boat Commission's Cooperative Nursery program.

**Erie Access Improvement Grant Program** – Funding to assist non-profit and government organizations in the acquisition and development of angler access in the Erie watershed.

**Landowner Incentive Program (LIP)** – Federal funds to assist private landowners with protecting habitats of species in Pennsylvania's State Wildlife Action Plan.

**Sportfishing and Aquatic Resource Education Grants** – Funds for organizations and local agencies involved in offering sportfishing and aquatic resource education programming.

**State Wildlife Grant (SWG) Program** – Federal monies for high-priority conservation projects for endangered, threatened and at-risk species across Pennsylvania.

PENNSYLVANIA GAME COMMISSION

http://www.pgc.state.pa.us

GRANT

**State Wildlife Grants (SWG) Program** – About \$40,000 is available for statewide competitive projects that provide multiple benefits to multiple fish and wildlife species. The balance of funds will be used for agency-identified, high-priority, wildlife diversity efforts.

DEADLINE / REGULATIONS

Contact – Patti Barber, (717) 787-5529 extension 3326 or review this web site:  
[http://www.pgc.state.pa.us/pgc/lib/pgc/swg/2007\\_swg\\_application.pdf](http://www.pgc.state.pa.us/pgc/lib/pgc/swg/2007_swg_application.pdf).

# PENNSYLVANIA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

<http://www.pgcb.state.pa.us>

## GRANT

## DEADLINE / REGULATIONS

**Local Law Enforcement Grant Program** – Program provides grants to local law enforcement agencies (police departments and district attorneys) to enforce and prevent the unlawful operation of slot machines in the Commonwealth. Maximum grant amount is \$250,000 or 10 percent of the agency’s budget, whichever is less. \$5 million is available annually through the Gaming Fund. A 20 percent match is required for prevention, enforcement, investigation and prosecution projects.

Contact – (717) 346-8300, [pgcb@state.pa.us](mailto:pgcb@state.pa.us) or [www.pgcb.state.pa.us](http://www.pgcb.state.pa.us).

**PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL & MUSEUM COMMISSION (PHMC)**

<http://www.phmc.state.pa.us>

**GRANT****DEADLINE / REGULATIONS**

**Certified Local Government Grant Program** – Provides funds in the areas of: cultural resource surveys, national register nominations, technical and planning assistance, educational and interpretive programs, and staffing and training.

January 15

Funding is limited to Certified Local Governments.

Contact – Janice E. Stramara, (717) 783-2838

**Keystone Historic Preservation Grant Program** – Provides funding (in the categories of preservation, restoration and rehabilitation) to nonprofit organizations and local governments for capital improvements on historic resources listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

May 1

Private property owners are not eligible for funding under this program.

Funding has been cut in half by Legislature.

Contact – Scott Doyle, (717)783-6012

**PENNSYLVANIA HISTORY AND MUSEUM GRANT PROGRAM**

**Pennsylvania History and Museum Grant Program** – Funding is designed to support a variety of museum, history, archives and historic preservation projects, as well as local governments and nonprofit organizations. The 10 types of grants are:

**Archives and Records Management Grants** – Grants are available in two different amounts to support projects in the categories of Access and Preservation Programs, and County Records Improvement Programs. The grants are administered on a competitive basis, and the awards are made annually based on a peer review process. Applicants may apply for up to \$15,000.

December 3

Grant amounts up to and including \$5,000 require no matching funds and amounts over \$5,000 and up to and including \$15,000 require 50/50 matching funds.

Contact – Jerry Ellis, (717) 787-3384

**Collections Management Project Grants** – Grants are available in two different amounts to support projects in the categories of Educational and Interpretive Programs, Exhibit Planning and Design, Management and Conservation. The grants are administered on a competitive basis, and the awards are made annually based on a peer review process.

December 3

Grant amounts up to and including \$5,000 require no matching funds and amounts over \$5,000 and up to and including \$15,000 require 50/50 matching funds.

Contact – Edith Walsh, (717) 214-8646

**Education, Public and Local History Grants** – Grants are available in two different amounts to support projects in the categories of Public Programs, Research and Writing, and Educational Programs. The grants are administered on a competitive basis, and the awards are made annually based on a peer review process. The grants are administered on a competitive basis, and the awards are made annually based on a peer review process.

December 3

Grant amounts up to and including \$5,000 require no matching funds and amounts over \$5,000 and up to and including \$15,000 require 50/50 matching funds.

Contact – Kenneth Wolensky, (717)772-0924



**PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL & MUSEUM COMMISSION (PHMC)**

<http://www.phmc.state.pa.us>

**GRANT****DEADLINE / REGULATIONS**

**General Operating Support Grants for Museums** – Grants that require no match and are restricted to museums with annual operating budgets exceeding \$100,000 (excluding capital and in-kind services). Grant awards will not exceed \$150,000 or 10 percent of the museum's most recently completed fiscal year operating budget if less than \$1,500,000. The grants are administered on a competitive basis, and the awards are made annually based on a peer review process.

April 1

All applicants must complete an e-grant application accessed through the PHMC web site.

Contact – Edith Walsh, (717) 214-8649

**General Operating Support Grants for**

**Official County Historical Societies** – Grants for historical organizations that are certified by their county governments as the official county historical societies for their respective counties. No more than one organization in each county may be so certified. The society must receive funds from the county government to assist in paying the operating expenses of the organization. The grant is noncompetitive and requires a 50/50 cash match.

April 1

Grants will not exceed the amount of money provided by the local county government in support of general operations; the maximum award will not exceed \$10,000.

Applicants must complete an e-grant application accessed through the PHMC web site.

Contact – Edith Walsh, (717) 214-8649

**Historic Preservation Grants** – Grants available in two different amounts to support projects in the categories of Cultural Resource Surveys, National Register Nominations, Planning and Development Assistance, Educational and Interpretive Programs, and Archaeology. The grants are awarded annually based on a peer review process. The grants are administered on a competitive basis, and the awards are made annually

based on a peer review process.

December 3

Grant amounts up to and including \$5,000 require no matching funds and amounts over \$5,000 and up to and including \$15,000 require 50/50 matching funds.

Contact – Scott Doyle, (717)783-6012

**Historical Marker Grants** – Grants requiring a cash match (generally 50/50) are available to support the manufacture of approved state historical markers. The Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission approves historical marker nominations annually based upon the review of an independent panel of experts. Nomination forms can be obtained by writing the Historical Marker Program, Division of History, Commonwealth Keystone Building Plaza Level, 400 North Street, Harrisburg,

PA 17120-0093.

January 5

Grants are only available for approved historical markers. The grants are administered on a competitive basis, and the awards are made annually based on a peer review process.

Contact – Karen Galle, (717) 705-4266

**Organizational Planning and Development Project Grants** – Grants are available in two different amounts to support projects in the categories of increased organizational effectiveness through organizational study, system improvement, planning, and analysis. The grants are administered on a competitive basis, and the awards are made annually

based on a peer review process.

December 3

Grant amounts up to and including \$5,000 require no matching funds and amounts over \$5,000 and up to and including \$15,000 require 50/50 matching funds.

Contact – Edith Walsh, (717)214-8649

# PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL & MUSEUM COMMISSION (PHMC)

<http://www.phmc.state.pa.us>

## GRANT

## DEADLINE / REGULATIONS

**Statewide Conference Grants** – Grants are awarded as “seed” money to organizations that plan and hold conferences relating to issues concerning the history, museum, historic preservation and cultural communities of Pennsylvania. Applications are accepted and awards are made throughout the

year.  
Ongoing  
Matching funds are not required.

Contact – Jean Cutler, (717)783-5321

**Statewide Organization Grants** – Grants are awarded to organizations that function in a statewide capacity to the history, museum, historic preservation and cultural communities of Pennsylvania. Funding is used for a variety of activities to

benefit these communities.  
April 1  
Matching funds are not required.  
Applicants must complete an e-grant application accessed through the PHMC web site.

Contact – Scott Doyle, (717)783-6012

**Technical Assistance Grants** – available to assist organizations in solving problems, increasing professionalism and building capacity funds. The grants are administered on a competitive basis, and the awards are made throughout the year based on a peer review process. The grants are administered on a competitive basis, and the awards are made annu-

ally based on a peer review process.  
Ongoing  
Matching funds are not required.  
Contact – Janet McGrefor, (717) 909-3995

# PENNSYLVANIA HUMANITIES COUNCIL

<http://www.pahumanities.org/>

## GRANT

## DEADLINE / REGULATIONS

**Humanities Grants** – Fund public programs that promote lifelong learning among Pennsylvanians from all walks of life. Categories range from Quick Grants (max \$500) to Small Grants (max \$3,000) to Large Grants (max \$20,000). Quick and Small Grants have rolling deadlines; Large Grants have a deadline for an Intent to Apply form (July 1) and an application deadline (September 1) for invited applications.

Contact – Pennsylvania Humanities Council,  
Phone: (800) 462-0442  
Web site: [www.pahumanities.org](http://www.pahumanities.org)

# PENNSYLVANIA INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AUTHORITY (PENNVEST)

http://www.pennvest.state.pa.us

## GRANTS/LOANS

## DEADLINE / REGULATIONS

**PENNVEST LOANS & GRANTS** – PENNVEST provides low-interest loans and grants for new construction or for improvements to publicly or privately owned drinking water, storm water or sewer treatment facilities. PENNVEST also provides loan funding to remediate brownfields sites, as well as loan funding to individual homeowners for repair or replacement of their malfunction on-lot septic system.

Many of the wastewater and drinking water projects funded by PENNVEST use federal dollars for design and construction. These dollars come with some strings attached that can increase the cost of the project for the community.

PENNVEST conducts a financial analysis to determine the interest rates and the length of the repayment period on any loan, as well as whether any grant funding might be awarded for the project.

Officials and employees of municipalities with drinking water, wastewater, or storm water management systems; municipal water and sewer authorities; private water and sewer companies; elected officials; county planners; consulting engineers; and persons involved in economic development should attend a PENNVEST “How to Apply” seminar to learn about applying for funds.

Any municipality, authority or private entity that is eligible under the PENNVEST program

Contact – Paul Marchetti, (717) 783-4496

**Advance Funding Program** – Low Interest loans and possible supplemental grants to improve water management systems.

Contact – Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority at (717) 787-8137 or visit [www.pennvest.state.pa.us](http://www.pennvest.state.pa.us)

**Growing Greener Grants** – Under this initiative, PENNVEST has grant funds available for drinking water, wastewater and storm water infrastructure projects. These are the same types of projects that PENNVEST has always funded. At this time, PENNVEST will be using these grant funds in its normal funding process.

Any municipality, authority or private entity that is eligible for Growing Greener grants under the PENNVEST program

Contact – Paul Marchetti, (717) 783-7796

**Brownfields Remediation** – Low-interest loans to municipal or county governments or an affiliated industrial or economic development or redevelopment entity for the remediation of sites that have been contaminated by past industrial or commercial activity and pose a threat to local groundwater or surface water sources. A public entity may sponsor a project for which a private party want to submit an application, provided that either the public entity or the private party has an ownership interest in the property to be remediated.

Contact – Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority (PENNVEST)

Phone: (717) 783-6798

Web: [www.pennvest.state.pa.us](http://www.pennvest.state.pa.us)

**Drinking Water, Wastewater and Stormwater Loans** – Low-interest loans to communities or private firms for designing, engineering, and constructing publicly and privately owned drinking water distribution systems.

Contact – Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority (PENNVEST)

Phone: (717) 783-6798

Web: [www.pennvest.state.pa.us](http://www.pennvest.state.pa.us)

**PENNSYLVANIA INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AUTHORITY (PENNVEST)**

<http://www.pennvest.state.pa.us>

**GRANTS/LOANS**

**DEADLINE / REGULATIONS**

**On-lot Sewage Disposal Funds** – Provides low-interest loans to homeowners for the rehabilitation, improvement, repair or replacement of an existing system located on a single family, owner-occupied property, which is the primary resident of the owner.

Contact – Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority (PENNVEST)  
 Phone: (717) 783-6798  
 Web: [www.pennvest.state.pa.us](http://www.pennvest.state.pa.us)

# PENNSYLVANIA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD (PLCB)

http://www.lcb.state.pa.us

## GRANTS/LOANS

In 1999, the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board (PLCB) offered its first Grant Program to provide funds for colleges and universities to develop campus-community coalitions. In providing technical assistance to these coalitions, the PLCB recognized that environmental change can be an especially effective strategy in preventing dangerous and underage drinking.

The **Campus-Community Grant Program** continues to enable colleges and universities to work on environmental strategies including enhancing enforcement efforts, limiting access to alcohol and changing social and cultural norms.

## DEADLINE / REGULATIONS

The **2006** Grant application process was closed on **April 10, 2006**. The grant application process will be available again in early **2007**. The grants will be available to Institutions of Higher Education and their surrounding Municipalities to Prevent High-Risk Drinking Behavior Among College Students. These grants will provide funding to develop or enhance, implement, and evaluate campus- and/or community-based prevention and early intervention strategies to prevent high-risk drinking on and off campus.

Grants are for one year only (fiscal year July thru June) and are renewable based on funding availability and progression of schools and municipalities thru the stages of environmental management strategies. Maximum amount is \$11,500.

Any questions about this grant opportunity contact Kenneth Healy at [khealy@state.pa.us](mailto:khealy@state.pa.us) or at (814) 943-8858.

In 2001, the PLCB expanded its efforts and provided additional funding to communities through the **Community Grant Program**. These grants provide funding to eligible local community entities, organizations, municipalities, law enforcement departments, primary or secondary schools, and school districts throughout Pennsylvania for specially designated Underage Drinking projects.

The **2007-2008** grants will fund the following projects:

- Special Underage Law Enforcement Operations
- GIS Mapping (Geographic Information Systems)
- Curriculum and Program training in order to initiate /adopt evidence-based programs addressing underage drinking issues
- Media Literacy Focus
- Alcohol and Athletes
- Environmental Scan and Court Watch
- Hospitality Resource Panel
- Safe Homes Campaign

Applicants must be either non-profit entities or charitable institutions organized or registered to do business in Pennsylvania or be Pennsylvania political subdivisions or a subunit of a Pennsylvania political subdivision.

Grant projects must be directly related to alcohol issues that target the under-21 population and entail an environmental strategy, which addresses the inappropriate and excessive consumption of alcohol by minors.

Grants are for one year only (fiscal year July thru June) and are renewable based on funding availability. Maximum amount is \$11,500.00.

For information about these grants contact Mary Beth Wolfe at [marywolfe@state.pa.us](mailto:marywolfe@state.pa.us) or at (814) 689-1325.

**PENNSYLVANIA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD (PLCB)**

<http://www.lcb.state.pa.us>

**GRANTS/LOANS**

In 2005 the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board made funds available for **Source Investigation Projects (SIP)**. SIP is designed to train law enforcement officials in discovering who provided alcohol to underage drinkers or alcohol users at illegal or unruly events.

**DEADLINE / REGULATIONS**

Grantees must be municipalities or their law enforcement agency. Grant funds are used for training and project operations. Grants are for one year only (fiscal year July thru June). Maximum amount is **\$11,500**.

For more information about SIP grants contact Mary Beth Wolfe at [marywolfe@state.pa.us](mailto:marywolfe@state.pa.us) or at (814) 689-1325.

# PENNSYLVANIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

www.ruralpa.state.pa.us

## GRANTS/LOANS

## DEADLINE / REGULATIONS

**Electrotechnology Applications Center** – Provides confidential assistance to businesses and manufacturers to help them increase productivity, improve energy efficiency and achieve and maintain environmental compliance. Helps businesses gain a competitive advantage by applying alternative technologies to improve heating, drying, coating and curing processes.

Contact – Electrotechnology Applications Center, Phone: (610) 861-5081  
Web: [www.etctr.com](http://www.etctr.com)

**Pennsylvania Rural Development Council** – Promotes coordinated efforts to expand economic and social opportunities for rural Pennsylvania. Council also serves as an advocate for the equitable treatment of rural communities through a collaborative partnership of representatives from private and nonprofit sectors and local, state, federal government agencies.

Contact – PA Rural Development Council  
Phone: (717) 705-0431  
Web: [www.ruralpa.state.pa.us](http://www.ruralpa.state.pa.us)

**Rural Community Assistance Program** – Resource for community leaders and others who need technical assistance services and training related to rural drinking water and wastewater treatment systems, solid waste programs, housing, economic development, comprehensive community assessment and planning, and compliance with environmental regulations. Staff are fluent in a number of languages and dialects.

Contact – PA Rural Community Assistance  
Phone: (814) 333-2706  
Web: [www.rcap.org](http://www.rcap.org)